

KANSAS CITY REGION FASTEST GROWING OCCUPATIONS

2021-2023

The Kansas City Region is projected to have a net increase of more than 18,800 jobs between 2021 and 2023. Of the top 20 fastest growing occupations in the Kansas City Region, eight are in the *Food Preparation and Serving Related* major occupation group and five are in the *Personal Care and Service* group. These occupations are concentrated in industries that experienced major employment declines during the COVID-19 pandemic, but are projected to recover, at least partially, and have high rates of employment growth over the next two years.

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Occupation	2021 Estimated Employment	2023 Projected Employment	Net Increase	Percent Increase	Annual Openings	Average Annual Wage
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	529	652	123	23.3%	158	\$23,299
Cooks, Restaurant	5,513	6,328	815	14.8%	1,262	\$31,005
Ushers, Lobby Attendants, and Ticket Takers	621	698	77	12.4%	189	\$25,157
Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	1,489	1,673	184	12.4%	365	\$23,522
Chefs and Head Cooks	277	308	31	11.2%	52	\$63,629
Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	1,463	1,624	161	11.0%	437	\$22,351
Bartenders	2,304	2,549	245	10.6%	526	\$28,867
Nurse Practitioners	1,710	1,885	175	10.2%	182	\$116,011
Waiters and Waitresses	11,612	12,759	1,147	9.9%	2,923	\$23,994
Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles	166	182	16	9.6%	21	\$41,889
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	3,590	3,933	343	9.6%	724	\$42,805
Audio and Video Equipment Technicians	282	307	25	8.9%	42	\$54,357
Musicians and Singers	389	423	34	8.7%	63	n/a
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	1,116	1,213	97	8.7%	292	\$27,022
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	3,848	4,172	324	8.4%	692	\$24,605
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	890	963	73	8.2%	178	\$30,351
Fast Food and Counter Workers	11,419	12,346	927	8.1%	2,872	\$27,656
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	2,984	3,224	240	8.0%	452	\$43,628
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	1,226	1,324	98	8.0%	237	\$26,631
Locker Room, Coatroom, and Dressing Room Attendants	352	380	28	8.0%	91	\$23,559



Only includes occupations with annual openings of 20 or more.

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